



PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM RATIONALE

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Commissioner of Education

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PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM: Grant conditional approval under Rule 14 (Regulations and Procedures for the Legal Operation of Approved Nonpublic Schools) for the following applicant Non Public schools to operate in the 2015-16 school year:

Alleluia! Kindergarten –Elkhorn, NE (Re-opening)
College Heights Academy – (K-8) Chadron, NE (New)
Legacy Primary School – (K) Omaha, NE (Adding 1-8)
Prairie Hill Learning Center – (1-8) Roca, NE (Adding Kindergarten)
Primrose School – (Kindergarten) LaVista, NE (New)
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School – (K-4) Seward, NE (Adding 5-8)

RATIONALE/BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Representatives of the schools have complied with application procedures of Rule 14 and staff members of the Accreditation and School Improvement Team have visited with school representatives and reviewed requirements of the Rule. On the basis of these discussions and observations, NDE representatives have determined that the schools appear prepared to meet Rule 14 requirements in the 2015-16 school year. Visitations will be conducted after the opening of the schools to verify compliance with Rule 14.

ESTIMATED COST: n/a